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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL DIRECTIVE

COORDINATION OF COLLECTION ACTIVITIES

1. The following overall policies and objectives are established by the National Security Council for the interdepartmental coordination of *foreign intelligence* collection activities so that measures may be taken promptly to effect sound and efficient utilization of the various departmental overseas collecting and reporting *facilities* ~~services~~:

2. There shall be an allocation of responsibilities *foreign intelligence* ~~collection activities~~ as follows:  
(a) Our departments shall be responsible ~~to the National Security Council~~ for the collection of intelligence information in accordance with their normal *primary* interests as follows:

Political	-----	Department of State
Cultural	-----	Department of State
Sociological	-----	Department of State
Military	-----	Department of the Army
Naval	-----	Department of the Navy
Air	-----	Department of the Air Force
Economic	) -----	As in (2), below
Scientific	) -----	

(b) By agreement between the Director of Central Intelligence and the intelligence chiefs of our respective departments, the various economic and scientific intelligence subjects shall be allocated to our respective departments in accordance with their *primary* interests; except that a subject which is of common concern to more than one department but of *primary* concern to none may be allocated to CIA upon specific approval by the National Security Council.

3. Whenever possible, ~~the collector shall be assigned immediately to the field~~ *having primary interest in the subject intelligence* representative of the agency most concerned. However, the collector may also send copies *or otherwise inform* to his own agency.

3. The senior U.S. representative in each foreign area where the United States maintains a foreign service post shall be responsible for the coordination of all *normal* collection activities in his area and the proper implementation of that coordination within the spirit of the principles enunciated herein.

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4. The collecting and reporting facilities of each of the agencies will be utilized so as to avoid unproductive duplication and uncoordinated overlap and <sup>to</sup> insure that full flow of intelligence material necessary <sup>for the accomplishment of their respective missions</sup> for all departments.

5. There shall be free and unrestricted interdepartmental exchange of intelligence information and intelligence to meet the recognized secondary need of each department for intelligence usually prepared or obtained by other departments. At present this Directive is interpreted to apply only to those departments represented by the permanent members of the (Intelligence Advisory Committee.) }

6. Full consideration shall be given in the implementation of these established overall policies and objectives to a full utilization of the individual initiative and favorable contacts of collecting agencies.

7. No interpretation of these established overall policies and objectives shall negate the basic principle that all departmental representatives abroad are individually responsible for the appropriate transmission to Washington of all intelligence material of possible usefulness to the effective accomplishment of the national intelligence mission which may come into their possession.

8. The Director of Central Intelligence shall act for the National Security Council in <sup>collaboration</sup> ~~coordination~~ with our several intelligence agencies to insure the full and proper implementation and execution of the above established policies and objectives.